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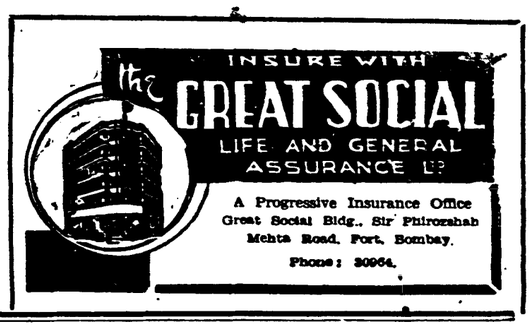
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'D-Day' For Burma Must Mean Dominion Status

BRITAIN MUST NOW FULFIL PLEDGES OF SELF-GOVT., SAYS "TIMES" IN REPLY TO TORY PAMPHLET

LONDON, November 15:—Declaring "the hour of Burma's deliverance cannot now be far off," "The Times" in a leader today says the detailed pronouncement from official quarters regarding the country's future is already overdue.

The paper recalls British Government's pledges that Burma will be helped to attain Dominion Status as speedily and fully as possible with her constitutional developments unprejudiced by separation from India, and contends that Burmese national sentiment "will be content with nothing less than 'the Cripps offer'" which now governs Britain's relations with India.

"This consideration," continues the paper, "alone suffices to rule out two of the suggestions in the otherwise useful and stimulating pamphlet published to-day by the Committee of seven Conservative members under the title 'Blue Print For Burma' that there should be 'a period of reconstruction' during which power is invested in the Governor with the Burmese affording merely advice and assistance and that the functions of the Representative Assembly' subsequently to be summoned, should be to pronounce upon the constitution framed for their consideration, and, not as in India, to frame it for themselves.

The fact must be faced that no procedure, however defensible on the score that Burma has suffered the ravages of war while India escaped them, which would seem to place Burmese nationalism in a position inferior to that accorded to Indian nationalism, has the remotest chance of obtaining acquiescence, to say nothing of the collaboration of the Burmese people."

PROBLEM OF OUTSIDERS.

Discussing economic problems, the leader says nationalist grievances against Britain were that although under the constitution that began to function in 1937 the Burmese were politically free, they were economically in servitude. "Some 40 per cent of the paddy lands had passed into Indian hands; the crushing agricultural debt was owned mainly by Indians; the merchant princes were either Indians or Chinese; such trade and industry not in the hands of these two races were controlled by Britain."

The real dilemma, says the paper, is that the Burmese are not interested in amassing wealth by industry. The war has caused the expulsion of Indians and Chinese from Burma, and no doubt the Burmese will welcome co-operation when the Japanese withdraw. "But the economic development must proceed even at the risk of slowing down the process on lines which appeal to nationalist tradition. Nothing else will give reality to the pledges Britain must honour."

"The News Chronicle" in a leader on the same subject, says the Japanese had given Burma nationalist autocracy "We must give her nationalist democracy."

Allied Link-Up On Way To Kalemyo

KANDY, Nov. 15: To-day's S.E.A.C. Communique states:

"CHIN HILLS: Troops of the 5th Indian Division advancing on Kalemyo from the west have linked up with the East African forces attacking from the north. The main body of the Fifth Indian Division cleared resistance east of stockades on the road from Tiddim eight miles west of Kalemyo. An East African attack down the Kaban and Kale valleys is meeting strong resistance six miles north of Kalemyo.

CHINDWIN: After the capture of Mawlaik on the Chindwin East African troops have made further advances.

NORTHERN BURMA: Chinese troops north-east of Bhamo made only slight advances yesterday. Other units to the east pushed south and occupied a village four miles east of Bhamo. In the Momauk area there was heavy fighting just south-west of the town. South-east of Bhamo Chinese troops consolidated their positions. In the railway corridor the British 36th Division made slight gains against strong natural enemy defences.

MARSHAL PEIRSE ON AIR SUPREMACY IN BURMA

NEW DELHI, Nov. 14: "Today we have complete mastery in the skies over Burma and a fine Allied air force ready to strike whether the enemy shows his head", declared Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Peirse, Allied Air Commander-in-Chief, South-East Asia, in a farewell broadcast to-night, before handing over his command to Air Chief Marshal Air Trafford Leigh-Mallory.

BAGGING 'SUBS' IN INDIAN OCEAN

Day and night the reconnaissance squadrons based in Southern India, Ceylon, East Africa and Arabia, who form part of the South-East Asia Air Command are alert and scouring the seas in co-operation with the eastern fleet for the protection of our shipping and trade. In this work the Royal Air Force and Dominion Air Force are proud to have units of the Netherlands Air Force working with them. Every now and then an enemy submarine falls victim to the vigilant aircraft.

"In saying farewell I pass on to my successor a fighting force, captained and manned by a company of men whose loyalty, resource and devotion to duty could not be exceeded. I leave them with very great regret, but with the utmost confidence that they will not rest until our scores with the enemy are settled; until he is utterly destroyed.

AMERICANS TAKE THREE METZ FORTS

S,H,A,E.F. Paris Nov. 15: From Reuters' special correspondent: British and American troops from three armies are to-day pushing back the Germans in a series of attacks ranging from the snowcovered hills of the Vosges to the lowlands of Holland. General Dempsey's new attack has won a secure bridgehead in the apex of the Noorer and Wessem canals extending for 6,000 yards along both the canals.

BATTLE FOR METZ.

U. S. Third Army Hq:

Advancing in snowstorm, American infantry captured three more forts: Hubert, Jussy, four miles west of Metz, and Illange near Thionville. Other troops are near Magny, three-quarters of a mile south of Metz.

West of Metz fighting is now proceeding in the outskirts of Moulin—Les—Mety two miles from the city. The Thionville—Koenigsmacher bridgeheads is now linked up with the Uckange crossing and the whole bridgehead now extend 14 miles from Uckange to one and a half miles from the German frontier. Peltre, two and a half miles south-east of Metz, has been captured.

Paris French Gendarmes occupied the pocket state of Andorra in the Pyrenees yesterday, the French Foreign Office announced to-day.

Gen. Eisenhower's Communique to-day states: 'Allied forces attacked in the sector east of Weert. The village of E-nd was freed and bridgeheads were established over the Noorder and Wessem canals.

In Metz sector our units have reached Frenching and Kuntzig and patrols are in the vicinity of Lemsurroff. Other forces have taken Ormy and Bois de L'Hospital. We have reached the Desrich-Baronweiller area north-west of Dieuze.

North-east of Baccarat gains up to approximately two miles were made. East of Bruyeres the enemy was forced to within more than a mile, and Granges-Sur-Vologne and several nearby villages were freed.

In the forded Belfort sector limited gains were made against stiff resistance along the forded Doubs river. —Reuter.

MORE FLYING BOMBS OVER ENGLAND

LONDON, Nov. 15: Powerful searchlights helped rescue workers searching the ruins of some flats after a flying bomb crashed among them in a Southern England town last night. Hundreds of people escaped by taking shelter as the bomb approached.

The Air Ministry reported casualties and damage during a flying bomb attack against Southern England, including the London area. A number of houses were completely wrecked and some of the casualties were fatal.

The attack was launched on a slightly increased scale, and it appeared as though the Germans had intended a concentrated attack, but launching planes may have been broken up by British patrols.—Reuter.

STARVATION IN BENGAL

Sir C. B. Mehta Holds War Effort Responsible

RYE (New York), Nov 15: The assertion that the deaths in Bengal from starvation last year had direct relation with the war effort was made here on Tuesday by Sir Chunilal Mehta, Leader of the Indian Delegation to the International Business Conference.

NINE DESTITUTES DIE.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 15: There were nine deaths and 23 admissions of sick destitutes in Calcutta hospitals yesterday. Fourteen persons were discharged from hospital the same day.—A. P.

Is It Goat Or Deer?

LIVES ON DIET OF CIGARETTES AND DOCUMENTS

BURMA, FRONT, Nov. 15: An Indian Air Force 'Hurricane' squadron of the Third Tactical Air Force introduced their mascot to Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Peirse, when he visited an Arakan airfield.

The meeting took place in the officers' mess and after introductions were completed, Sir Richard asked what the animal was. Half goat, half deer—its species escaped most of the members, who could dimly remember that it had been acquired while in training in a station many hundreds of miles away and had since travelled everywhere on the strength of the squadron.

"It lives on a diet of cigarettes and secret documents", volunteered the Commanding Officer, and Sir Richard stood by with amusement while the Squadron pet polished off 20 cigarettes of a certain unpopular brand, and a document which the Air Chief Marshal produced from his pocket with the remark that it was not particularly secret nor acceptable as a snack.—A. P.

WORLD'S FIRST "FREE AIRPORT"

Eire's Decision Causes Concern Among U. K. Delegation

LONDON, Nov. 15.

The report from Chicago about the declaration of the Eire Representative at the Aviation Conference of Eire's decision to establish world's first "free airport" has caused concern among United Kingdom delegation, writes the "Daily Mail" Chicago correspondent.

They see in it a move which might bypass Britain in the air link between United States and Europe. Eire's decision was announced by its delegate, Mr. Timothy Ordiscoll, who asked the sub-committee that nothing should be done in drafting customs and immigration procedures to prevent the Eire from establishing a free port.—United Press.

IT IS GOVERNMENT'S COPYRIGHT

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15.

In the Council of State to-day Mr. Conran Smith, Home Secretary, replying to Mr. Yuvraj Datta Singh in a written answer said: "The publication of the correspondence with Gandhiji contains all important correspondent passed between Gandhiji and the Viceroy or the Government of India. There are some other letters which are not thought necessary to publish, but most of them appeared in the newspapers. Certain publishers asked for permission to publish the whole correspondence, but were informed that the copyright of these letters published in the official pamphlet remains with the Government."—United Press.

Execution Of Death Sentences Stayed

MADRAS, Nov. 15.

The Madras Government have passed orders staying the execution of the death sentences passed against Kashirajan and Rajagopalan pending disposal of their appeal to the Privy Council in the Kulasekharapatnam Rioting Case in which the accused are alleged to have formed an unlawful assembly to set fire to the Salt Factory at Kulasekharapatnam in August, 1942 and murdered Mr. Loane, the Assistant Salt Inspector.

In August last the Federal Court granted leave to appeal to the Privy Council on an application moved on behalf of the two accused against the decision of the Federal Court itself confirming death sentence passed on them by the Madras High Court.—United Press.

All League Members Asked To Resign

AHMEDABAD, Nov. 15.

All Muslims are called upon by the Working Committee of the District Muslim League to resign from all local committees including the committee of management of the Ahmedabad Municipality and the Municipal School Board, as a protest against the refusal by Government to reconstitute the Municipal School Board as demanded by the District Muslim League.

The resignations are to be submitted to the Secretary, District Muslim League, within a fortnight authorising him to forward them to the authorities concerned on any date and time to be fixed by the Working Committee after meeting the Collector and discussing with him the question of representation of Muslims on all local committees.—A. P.

SIND LEAGUE PARLIAMENTARY BOARD TO MEET

An emergency meeting of the Sind Provincial Muslim League Parliamentary Board has been summoned in Karachi on November 19 by Mr. G. M. Syed, President of the Board, to consider the situation arising out of the Premier's appointment of two ministers without consulting the League Assembly Party. Later Mr. Syed will proceed to Delhi to see Mr. Jinnah.—United Press.

Dr. Syed Mahmud's Health

WARDHAGANJI, Nov. 15.

Dr. Syed Mahmud has somewhat improved in health during the last few days. He is under the treatment of Pandit Shiosharma of Lahore for heart trouble which is showing definite signs of improvement. Dr. Small Pyorrhoe expert of Bangalore has been requested to come over here to examine Dr. Mahmud before getting his teeth extracted.—United Press.

Smuts Refuses To See Congress Deputation

BOMBAY, Nov. 15: A cable message received by Mr. Mahomed Ahmed Jadwat and Swami Bhawani Dayal, the representatives of the South African Indian Congress in India, says that the Natal Indian Congress fully supports the action of the Government of India to impose trade sanctions against South Africa.

The message also says that General Smuts refused to grant an interview to the Congress deputation which was to ask him to veto the Ordinance.

It is now believed that the South African Cabinet has given its assent to the Ordinance.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

CONFISCATION OF RENAULT MOTOR WORKS.

PARIS, Nov. 15: The French Government has ordered the confiscation of the Renault Motor Car Aero-Engine and Tanks Factories. The company "Societe Anonyme Des Usines Renault" will become state property.

U. S. STRIKE CALLED OFF.

NEW YORK: The leaders of the strike in the Wright Aeroplane Factories in New Jersey have called off the strike.—Reuter.

HITLER ILL

Himmler Appointed C.-in-C. Of Reich Defence Forces

ZURICH, Nov. 15: Himmler has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Defensive Forces of the Reich during Hitler's illness said the Swiss newspaper "La Suisse" quoting a well-informed source today.—Reuter.

NO BR. SUPPORT TO OTTO

LONDON, Nov. 15: The Minister of State, Mr. Law told the Commons in reply to a question today that Archduke Otto's arrival in Portugal in no way implied political support from British Government for Hapsburg cause in Central Europe. The British Government's policy towards Austria remained as stated in the declaration issued by the Moscow Conference—a free, independent Austria.

No Place For Franco At Peace Conference

Mr. Richard Law replying to a question in the Commons today about Gen. Franco and the Peace Conference declared: "So far as the British Government are concerned, they see no reason why any country which has not made a positive contribution to the United Nations' war effort should be represented at the Peace Conference or at any discussions on peace settlement" (cheers).

When Mr. Driberg (Independent) asked if he might take it from that "very satisfactory answer" that the British Government would not be deceived by belated lip service to democracy by Gen. Franco, Mr. Law replied: "I think the British Government are more wide awake than some people suppose."

STALIN INVITES DE GAULLE

PARIS, Nov. 15: Gen. de Gaulle has accepted an invitation from Marshal Stalin to visit Moscow.

Gen. de Gaulle plans to make the journey shortly. Georges Bidault, Foreign Minister, will accompany him.

MANSION HOUSE LUNCH FOR F. F. I. VISITORS

LONDON, Nov. 15: Two hundred uniformed young men and women of the French Force of Interior, who fought the Germans in many parts of France, marched triumphantly through London. At Mansion House the Lord Mayor entertained them to lunch.

Edward Thompson's Son Murdered By Nazis

LONDON, Nov. 15: It is now confirmed that Maj. W. F. Thompson 23-year-old son of Edward Thompson well known writer and authority on India, was murdered by the Germans and Bulgarians last June, while serving with a band of Bulgarian Partisans in one of the most desperate enterprises of the war. Maj. Thompson was a scholar of both Winchester and New College Oxford, and served in Iraq, Persia, Libya and Sicily before he volunteered for work in the Balkans. He was one of the four Englishmen serving with a Bulgarian Partisan band which was ambushed. The partisans were shot without ceremony and later Maj. Thompson suffered the same fate.—Reuter.

GOOD PROGRESS IN FORLI AREA

Allied Gains In Italy

ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 15: To-day's Allied "communique" states: ITALY: The 8th Army continued to make good progress in the Forli area. North-west of the town British troops pushed beyond San Tome.

West of Forli other British troops advanced from their bridgeheads over the river Montone to a general line two miles north of this river and captured Monte Poggiolo and Villa Grappa. Further west Polish troops of the 8th Army cleared additional features north of the Florence-Forli road, and after fierce street fighting captured the village of San Antonio.

In the 5th Army sector troops of the Indian Division, after overcoming strong resistance, captured important height of Monte San Bartolo

SOVIET TIGHTEN GRIP ON BUDAPEST

MOSCOW, Nov. 15: From Reuter's special correspondent Marshal Malinovsky is steadily tightening his vicelike grip on the Budapest approaches, where the last German and Hungarian reserves are believed to be coming into action.

The Germans and Hungarians stiffened their resistance before Budapest as the battle rages inside a network of strong posts guarding the last approaches to the Hungarian capital from the east and south.

The Soviet Air Force carrying the battle across the Danube, is bombing and gunning the German and Hungarian troops hurriedly strengthening their fortifications on the west bank of river in expectation of a Soviet crossing. This would bring the Red Army to the rear of city and would threaten the main German and Hungarian forces with disaster, irrespective of the fate of the city.

The East Prussian front remains quiet, according to late information.

ALLIES BOMB JAP DROMES

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES, Nov. 15: A "communique" states that American bombers sweeping wide areas in south-west Pacific bombed many Philippine aerodromes, sank a coastal freighter near Timor and left a 4,000-ton freighter in flames off Mindanao.

INDIA TURNS BACK ON WEST

William Ziff On Rising Radicalism In Country

NEW YORK, Nov. 14: "A phenomenon of the greatest importance to the world which is eventuating from this troubled situation is this: India is turning its back on the West". This assertion is made by Mr. William B. Ziff an authority on international affairs and expert consultant on military affairs in a book named "Gentlemen Talk of Peace" published to-day.

He says: "Out of the inconceivable Poverty", ignorance, degradation and festering rancour which has gripped population there is rising a radicalism which gains in strength daily. The tide has turned away from such moderate men as Rajagopalacharlar, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and even the Socialist intellectual Nehru, who but a few years ago was considered a "fire brand".

Ziff who won national prominence in 1942 with his best seller "Coming Battle of Germany" in the current book this approaches the basic problems and realities affecting the various countries of the world as the war draws to a close.—Reuter.

"NO CONFIDENCE" MOVE AGAINST N.W.F. MINISTRY

Congress Party Sends Requisition To Governor

(Through A. F. and U. P.)

PESHAWAR, Nov. 15: A motion of no-confidence in the Frontier Ministers, signed by 20 Congress members of the Frontier Assembly, has been sent to the Governor by Rai Bahadur Mehr Chand Khanna, Secretary of the Congress Parliamentary Party.

The motion says:

"This Assembly expresses its lack of confidence in the Council of Ministers, North-West Frontier Province, consisting of Sardar Muhammad Aurangzeb Khan, Mr. Abdur Rab Khan Nishtar, Khan Muhammad Sain Jan, R. S. Abur Rahman Khan and Sardar Ajit Singh."

Mr. Khanna in a letter to the Governor forwarding the text of the motion says:—

"Rule 3 of the N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly Rules 1937 lays down that it is the Governor who appoints the time and place for a session of the Assembly. Such being the case, I have been asked by the Congress Parliamentary Party to request Your Excellency to call a session of the Assembly as soon as possible.

MOTION PROPERLY SUPPORTED

"In May, 1943 the present Ministry was set up. Neither then nor during this period it had a majority following. It remained in office because ten members of the Congress Parliamentary Party were detained in jail. Recently five members have been released. It would have been in the fitness of things if all the 10 had been released. But inspite of that we are in a position now to move and successfully carry through a motion expressing want of confidence in the Ministers.

Rule 43 of the N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly Rules 1937 lays down that if not less than 15 members support the motion leave shall be granted. I enclose herein with the motion signed by 20 members.

Pledge Not Yet Fulfilled

PESHAWAR, Nov. 15.

Rai Bahadur Mehr Chand Khanna, Secretary, Congress Parliamentary Party, N. W. F. Province, has released to the Press the following letter addressed by him to the Hon'ble the Chief Minister, Sardar Mohd Aurangzeb Khan on the 4th November last:—

"My dear Sardar Sahib—In October 1942 ten members of the Frontier Legislative Assembly (Congress) were arrested in connection with the movement of August 1942. When you formed your Ministry in May, 1943, it was thought that these M.L.A.'s would be released as you had publicly professed that you were keen to work the constitution. Nothing happened for over a year. After that 5 M.L.A.'s were released. As no communique was issued by the Government, we are uptil now in the dark as to the reason which actuate the Government to release them and detain the remaining 5. From our point of view the detained 5 are in the same boat with the 5 who have been released.

REPLY FROM GOVERNOR'S P. C.

In this connection I wrote a letter to the Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor on the 31st October, 1944. In his repy No. 7898-sg of 1st November, 1944, the Private Secretary says:—

"The question of detained Congress M.L.A.'s as of all other detenus is a matter to which His Excellency is constantly giving the attention. You will appreciate, however, that the matter is one in which, constitutionally H.E. can hardly do otherwise than act on his Ministers' advice".

Such being the case I shall be grateful if you would let me know what advice, if any, you have given to H. E. the Governor or intend giving. You may say that the matter is of a confidential nature but it must be realised that neither you nor your colleagues have the right to play with the liberty of the people simply with a view to keep your Ministry in power.

As the matter is of a public nature I hope you have no objection to my releasing the letter to the Press."

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (DECEMBER.)

New York, Nov.	15.
Previous Closing	21.66
To-day's Opening	21.68
Difference	+02
To-day's Closing	21.77
Difference	+11

"Govt. Is Prepared To Take Up Challenge"

Reply To Threat Of Strike By Milk Traders

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Strong disapproval of the attitude of the members of the milk trade who have threatened to go on strike on November 20, was expressed by Mr. D. S. Bakhle, Director of Civil Supplies; at a press conference this evening.

Denouncing this move of "holding a pistol at the head of the Government" as a "manoeuvre by five persons", Mr. Bakhle said that "if they will decide to go on strike, Government is prepared to take up the challenge."

The following note was handed to pressmen who attended the conference.

"Government has received on 14th November a representation signed by the Honorary Secretaries of the Bombay Milch Cattle Association, the Bombay Cattle Owners' Association the Bombay Suburban Cattle-owners' Association, the Bombay Surburban Milk Suppliers' Association and the Borivli Cattle-owners' Association, putting forward certain alleged grievances of the milk trade and intimating that the cattle-owners of the City of Bombay and the Suburbs of Bombay have resolved to observe a strike and not to sell milk on Monday the 20th day of November 1944.

"These Associations recently informed Government that, for purposes of facilitating contact with Government, they have formed a Federation of the Bombay and Suburban Milch Cattle-owners' Associations. The Federation has not made the present representation, and it is understood that it is not in agreement with the proposed remedy for the ventilation of the alleged grievances of the milk trade.

"The representation is against the various measures of control which Government has had to adopt in order to secure the milk supply for Bombay City and the B.S.D. particularly for the Scheme for distribution of milk to infants which is being taken advantage of by nearly 30,000 children, and which it is proposed to extend shortly to children upto 5 and expectant and nursing mothers. Some of the difficulties arising out of the operation of the Control Orders have been settled in discussion with the Federation, and some are still under consideration. In the circumstances, the threat of cutting off Bombay's milk supply on the 20th is quite unjustified.

"Government trusts that wiser counsels will still prevail with the Honorary Secretaries of the Associations which have held out that threat. But, if they choose to persist in the course they have chosen for themselves, Government are confident that the public who have suffered from the continued rise in the price and deterioration in the quality of milk will cheerfully undergo any temporary dislocation of milk supply. Government will try their hardest to secure supplies for children and the hospitals whose welfare is endangered by this wanton action of a section of the milk trade."

Mr. Bakhle stated that a letter had been addressed by Government to the signatories of the letter intimating their decision to go on strike explaining the steps taken by the Government to deal with the grievances referred to by them. Among these were the question of devising a system of obtaining permits for exporting cattle to and importing them from salvage centres, the restrictions imposed on the slaughter of milch cattle and cattle suitable for breeding, the question of the prices of hay, and other cattle feed like 'Chuni', 'Challa' and 'Guvar' and the question of controlling the price of milk in surplus markets. Mr. Bakhle narrated the various consultations Government had with representatives of the Federation of the Cattle-Owners' Association and detailed the steps that had been taken to meet them.

In conclusion, Mr. Bakhle expressed the hope that wiser counsels would prevail and that no hardship would be caused to the citizens of Bombay and the Suburban District.

HAPPY END OF STRIKE IN CITY NEWSPAPER OFFICE

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The one day's strike organised yesterday by the workers of the "Janj Varuman" group of papers has come to a happy end as the Management granted their demand for two months' bonus.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 15: H. E. the Governor of Bombay, attended by Capt. Michael Scott, has left.—A. P.

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1. All that piece of Fazandari land admeasuring about 223 sq. yds. with dwelling house standing thereon, bearing Cadastral Survey No. 582 of Bhuleshwar division, Municipal "C" Ward No. 354, St. No. 14 and 16 new Nos. 17-19 and bounded on the North by Mahadev Shankershet Lane, on the South by the property of Shantaram N. Vagal, on the West by the property of Keshavram Haridatt Ichhaporia and on the East by the property herein secondly described.

2. All that piece of Fazandari land admeasuring about 84 Sq. yds. with dwelling house standin thereon, bearing Cadastral Survey No. 582 of Bhuleshwar division Municipal "C" Ward No. 3540|35 Street Nos. 10|12 New No. 15 and bounded on the North by Mahadev Shankershett Lane, on the South by the property of Shantaram N. Vagal, on the East by the property of Framji Cursetji Jhaveri and on the West by the property herein firstly described.

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Under instructions from M|s Eastley Lam & Co., Attorneys for the Executrix, M|s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY the 24th November, 1944, from 11-30 a. m. to 1-30 p.m. and the remaining lots from 3 p. m. (N. S. T.) at their Rooms at 120, Apollo Street, Fort, the abovementioned articles belonging to the Estate of the late Mr. C. M. Banaji, well-known Collector of Curios and Antiques.

On view from the 20th inst. between 11-30 to 5-30.

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Under instructions from the Parties Concerned, the Undersigned, will sell by Public Auction, at the premises of the Eduljee Dinshaw Ice Factory, Wallace Road, behind the National Bank of India, Ltd., Karachi, on WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DECEMBER, 1944, AT 5 P. M. (S. T.) the following Second-hand Boiler, on account and at the risk of Messrs. Jamnadas & Co., of Medow House, Medow Street, Fort, Bombay:

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NOTE: The Undersigned, if required, will try and arrange inspection, for the intending purchasers, through the U. S. Army Authorities, who occupy the Factory.

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Hardstaff's Flawless 150 Out Of A Total Of 300

(By Our Cricket Critic)

A flawless 150 by J. Hardstaff out of a total of 300 in his magnificent and highly inimitable style was the feature of the first day's game in the first round of the Pentangular Cricket Tournament between the Parsis and the Europeans which began at the Brabourne Stadium on Wednesday morning.

Hardstaff was helped in his efforts by Simpson of Karachi who, opening the game with Hotchkin contributed a valuable 69 in 174 minutes during which he remained at the wickets, and who in a third-wicket partnership with Hardstaff added 142 to the European total.

The Europeans started disastrously losing two wickets for only 34 during the first 40 minutes of the game. Thereafter Hardstaff and Simpson carried the score to 176. With the total at 200 for three, the Europeans seemed to be in a well-nigh formidable position.

But thereafter the proverbial uncertainty of cricket again intervened, and the fortunes of the game changed. For at this stage, Khot coming with the new ball claimed two victims, one at 217 and another at 219. Fairbairn and Howarth were the batsmen to suffer. This was a danger signal for the Europeans, for, thereafter, they slowly collapsed and half of their remaining side was skittled out for a paltry 81. It was a curious coincidence that Hardstaff was responsible for exactly half the European total which reached the exact 300 before the last wicket fell.

A crowd of over 10,000 witnessed the match at the commencement. As the day advanced it swelled to over 15,000.

Hardstaff sent out Hotchkin and Simpson of Karachi to face the Parsi attack. Palia, the left-hand medium-paced Parsi trundler, opened the attack from the Churchgate end to Hotchkin. Meherhomji behind the wickets missing the fourth delivery off him the European player had the good luck to open his team's account with a leg-bye which fetched him four. Khot followed up with the leather from the opposite end. A little later Meherhomji again missing the ball, this time on Khote, conceded another leg-bye of four which enabled the European players to hoist up the first decade.

The first change in bowling was brought when Mody replaced Khote from the pavilian end. The chonge had its effect a little later for Hotchkin in attempting to lift him on the leg-side missed the mark and Satha at short leg made a fairly good catch. (27—1—7).

Denis Compton the famous English Test cricketer now associated himself into partnership with Simpson who was all the while playing a steady and watchful game. His existence, however was short-lived, for, hardly had he reached Hotchkin's total when a slow-shooter from Colah, who had replaced Palia, spread-eagled his stumps. (34—2—7).

Joe Hardstaff now stepped into the field and a real promising partnership began. The way in which the two batsmen defended themselves against the attack indicated that to separate them was a difficult nut for the Parsi bowlers to crack. The Parsi attack 'in toto' could hardly be described as anything better than mediocre, and there was noticeable a complete dearth of fast bowlers. Palia, at any rate made an intelligent use of whatever bowling material that was placed at his disposal, and effecting changes at every small interval kept the pace of run-getting down.

Fifty were reached after nearly 55 minutes of the game. Thereafter the batsmen went confidently on, though there was nothing brilliant about them they at the same time accelerated the pace of scoring with the result that after 107 minutes of the game, the century went up the board.

When the game closed for lunch, the European total stood at 111 for two, both Simpson and Hardstaff remaining unbeaten with 43 each.

The game after the lunch was quite exhilarating. It was delightful to see Hardstaff flashing out in a random stroke or two in his quite inimitable style. Beautiful cover and off carpet drives were the main features of his game. His placings were also equally marvellous. Within ten minutes of the resumption of the game after lunch he reached the half-century mark. Simpson followed up soon to register his own 50.

PARTNERSHIP BREAKS.

The partnership which had lasted for a little under 130 minutes and had added 142 to the total came to an end when Simpson was smartly held by Palia at mid-off off Satha (176—2—69).

HARDSTAFF'S CENTURY.

Fairbairn now joined his skipper and was none too comfortable against the attacks of Tarapore and Satha. But Hardstaff carried on his good work and saw the 200 on the board at 3-55 p.m. as a result of 220 minutes' play. Five minutes later the European skipper hoisted, amidst cheers, his own century with a powerful drive off Colah. His score which was compiled in 176 minutes included six fours only.

COLLAPSE AFTER TEA.

Ten minutes later Fairfairn succumbed to Khot who with the new ball shattered his wickets. (217—4—13)

Then Howarth stepped into the breach. But before he had broken his duck, the tea interval arrived. The total was 219 for 4 wickets with Hardstaff unbeaten for 106.

The resumption saw Khot claiming his second victim of the day without any addition to the score. Howarth was clean-bowled by him with a beautiful delivery. (219—5—0).

Cranmer filled in the vacancy. The two fatalities brought a temporary slump in the game which was occasionally brightened up by a few good drives by Hardstaff. 260 were reached mainly with singles.

When three more were added to the total of 263 a slick good-length delivery off Palia smashed Cranmer's wickets, the Parsi Captain getting his first victim of the day (263—6—17).

DEBACLE BEGINS.

P. F. Judge joined his captain. The pair made a bid for raising the total mainly by stealing singles. But at 270, a misfortune occurred for which Hardstaff was to blame. With a fine placing off Palia he made a hasty start for the run with the result that an accurate return throw by Palia smashed the wickets before Judge could reach the crease (270—7—9).

Dobree-Carey filled in the vacancy to see Hardstaff hoisting up his 150 after four hours and forty five minutes of his game. But Hardstaff had now neared his end, for the very next delivery off Tarapore saw him clean-bowled. (287—9—150).

Corrall, the wicket-keeper, who followed next was l.b.w. to Tarapore at the same total (287—9—0).

B. Blackmore, the last man, joined Dobree-Carey. The pair entered into a hitting partnership and was responsible for hoisting up the third European century on the board. But the end came soon. Trying to lift Palia, Blackmore was caught by Cooper behind the bowler (300—10—8).

The Europeans were thus all out for 300 and only under five minutes before the scheduled closing time.

EUROPEANS 1ST INNINGS.

N. Hotchkins c Satha b Mody ..	7
R. T. Simpson c Palia b Satha ..	69
D. Compton b Colah	7
J. Hardstaff c Meherhomji b Tarapore	150
R. D. Fairbairn b Khot	13
R. Howarth b Khot	0
P. Cranmer b Palia	17
P. Judge run out	0
P. Dobree-Carey not out	10
P. Corrall b Tarapore	0
B. Blackmore c Cooper b Palia	8
Extra	19
Total	300

FALL OF WICKETS: 27/1; 34/2; 176/3; 219/4; 219/5; 263/6; 270/7; 287/8; 287/9; 300/10.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Palia	47.3	10	53	2
Khote	22	6	45	2
Mody	27	6	74	1
Colah	6	0	32	1
Tarapore	24	2	60	2
Satha	9	2	17	1

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RIVAL TEAMS

EUROPEANS: J. Hardstaff (Capt.), P. Corrall (w. k.), D. Compton, N. Hotchkin, R. T. Simpson, P. Cranmer, R. D. Fairbairn, B. Blackmore, P. F. Judge, P. Dobree-Carey, R. Howarth. Reserves: S. J. Cray and M. Robinson

PARSIS: P. E. Palia (Capt.), K. R. Meher-Homji (w. k.), J. B. Khot, P. M. Cambatta, D. B. Satha, N. H. Colah, R. S. Modi, R. S. Cooper, M. F. Mistry, E. B. Aibara, K. K. Tarapore. Reserves: P. Umrigar and J. B. Patel.

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Messrs. P. E. Palia (captain of the Parsis) and Joe Hardstaff, English Test Cricketer and captain of the Europeans snapped on opening day of Pentangular matches at Brabourne Stadium.

No Further Grants To Schools Committee

Standing Committee Chairman On Civic Budget Estimates

Mr. R. A. Gole, Chairman, Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation while speaking on Wednesday on the budget estimates for 1945-46 as prepared by Mr. M. D. Bhat, Municipal Commissioner, expressed his sense of appreciation and gratitude on behalf of the Committee for the splendid services rendered to the city by the Municipal Commissioner and said:

During the period of his office, the finances of the Corporation have been managed with great sagacity and the administration of such a large Institution as ours has always been carried out with much prudence and caution. It is really a matter for gratification that while leaving us he has attempted to place the finances of the Corporation on a firm basis. This in itself is no mean achievement for which he deserves our gratitude.

This is the last Budget that Mr. Bhat has framed. He has piloted very well the Municipal Finances through really difficult times and is leaving them to his successor in a favourable condition.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE'S DEMAND

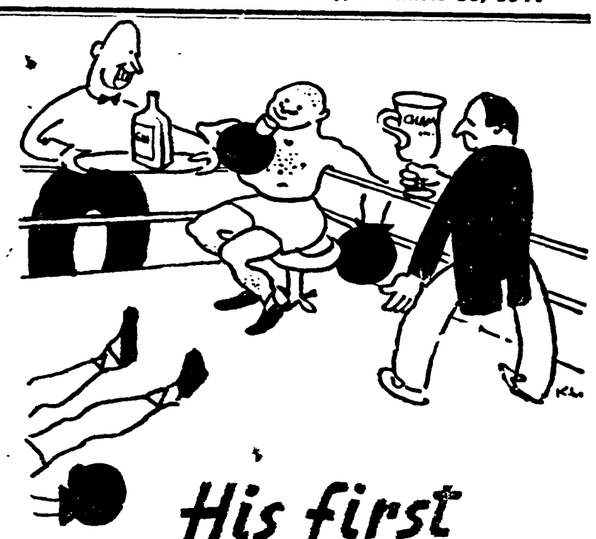
Referring to the demand of the Schools Committee for further grants he said:

Coming to the demand for the next year which the Commissioner informs us is for an amount of Rs. 57,50,000 for educating the anticipated number of 1,10,000 pupils, I must plead that it is impossible for the Standing Committee to find this amount having regard to their obligations to other Municipal services. The number on the roll on 1st November 1944 is said to be 1,02,000. The increase anticipated is not very heavy. The number of teachers on the basis of calculations already laid down may not be required for the simple reason that extra accommodation for schools cannot possibly be obtained in these days. This would naturally mean a reduction on the teachers' salaries, rents, furniture and other incidental items. Another item to be considered is the appointment of additional Special Teachers. The view of the Corporation on this question is well-known. They have emphatically asked for the abolition of special teachers from year to year. The Schools Committee should, therefore, give effect to the Corporation's expressed wishes in this behalf. In the past the argument has been that the teachers already in service could not be sent away. But surely there is no reason why new recruits should be drafted for teaching subjects an elementary knowledge of which should be available with trained teachers. In any case the Schools Committee, if they desire to have special teachers, should adjust their proportion within the total number of teachers permissible on the basis of the number of pupils on roll.

URBAN IMMOVABLE PROPERTY TAX.

He then referred to the Urban Immovable Property Tax and said:

It is impossible not to refer in this connection to the Government levy of the Urban Immovable Property Tax. This Tax was imposed with a view to meet the deficit in the Provincial Budget consequent upon the introduction of Prohibition in Bombay City. However, as a result of various relaxations in the original Prohibition scheme, Government are realising under Provincial Excise substantial income in addition to the revenue received from the levy of the Urban Immovable Property Tax. There is, therefore, absolutely no justification for their continuation of this levy on properties in the City.



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18 UNIVERSITY EXAMINERS AND MODERATORS DEBARRED

Registrar's Statement On Malpractices At Last Matriculation Examination

The Registrar of the University of Bombay has issued the following statement:

As certain unauthorized reports have appeared from time to time in newspapers in connection with the malpractices of certain moderators and examiners at the last Matriculation examination, and as a strong desire has been expressed by educationists and other members of the public that, in the public interest, the University authorities should issue an authoritative statement giving the names of the persons found guilty of such malpractices and mentioning the action taken against them by the Syndicate, I have been directed by the Syndicate to issue the following statement.

In consequence of reports received by the Vice-Chancellor early in May last that certain moderators had been influenced by Khan Bahadur (i. K. Muhamad Shahban, then a member of the Senate, to make unjustifiable increases in the marks obtained by his son—Shahban, Iqbal Ahmed Ghulamkadir—candidate No. 30227 at the Matriculation examination held in March, 1944, with a view to getting him declared successful, the Vice-Chancellor appointed a committee, consisting of himself, Mr. K. T. Shah and the Hon. Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla to investigate and report on the matter.

The committee, after investigation and after questioning the moderators and examiners responsible for making unjustified increases in the marks, made an interim report to the Syndicate in June, as a result of which candidate No. 30227 was declared to have failed at the Matriculation examination. They submitted their final report to the Syndicate in July, 1944.

DEBARRED

The Syndicate considered the report at their meeting held on the 22nd July, 1944 and decided that the following persons who had worked as moderators at the Matriculation examination in March 1944 be debarred for all time from appointment as examiners, paper-setters, moderators or senior supervisors or in any other responsible capacity in connection with University examinations:—

1. Professor V. V. Ketkar (B. M. College of Commerce, Poona).
2. Mr. M. R. Navangule (Wilson High School, Bombay).
3. Professor R. R. Kirpalani (D. J. Sind College, Karachi).
4. Mr. K. N. Kavi (S. M. S. M. High School, Dharampur).
5. Mr. J. H. Trivedi (M. K. Natha Bhatia High School, Bombay).
6. Mr. K. B. Irani (Sardar D. N. H. Boys' High School, Poona).
7. Professor D. L. Khianra (D. J. Sind College, Karachi).

The Syndicate also decided that Rao Saheb Professor S. M. Shah of the Gujarat College, Ahmedabad and Mr. S. U. Shukla, Principal Hansraj Morarji Public School, Worli, Bombay be debarred from appointment as examiners, paper-setters, moderators or senior supervisors or in any other responsible capacity in connection with University examinations for periods of five years and two years respectively.

The Syndicate further invited the attention of the employers of managements of the institutions in which "the said moderators were working to their conduct to enable them to take such action as they might consider necessary in the interest of education and of the institutions themselves by sending them copies of the relevant portions of the report and of the decisions of the Syndicate.

"UNWORTHY OF KHAN BAHADUR".

As regards Khan Bahadur Shahban the Syndicate regretted that they could not take action against him under Section 17 of the Bombay University Act of 1928 to have his appointment as a Fellow cancelled, as he had forestalled such action by resigning from the Senate, but they decided to forward a copy of the committee's report to H. E. the Chancellor and to invite his attention to the committee's findings with regard to Khan Bahadur Shahban and to the opinion expressed in the report, which the Syndicate concurred, namely, that Khan Bahadur Shahban had proved himself unworthy to continue as a member of the Senate.

At the same meeting the Vice-Chancellor drew the attention of the Syndicate to the case of another candidate at the Matriculation examination No. 1937—Miss Leela Vasant Nerurkar, in which there was 'prima facie' evidence of an unauthorized increase of marks. The Syndicate thereupon authorized the Vice-Chancellor to investigate and report on the said case.

The Vice-Chancellor after due investigation, in the course of which he examined the moderators, examiners and verifiers directly or indirectly connected with the assessment and marking of the answer-scripts of candidate No. 1937 as well as the candidate's father, Mr. V. R. Nerurkar, Principal, Chikitsak Samooha High School, Bombay, made his report to the Syndicate at their meeting held on the 30th September, 1944.

BREACHES OF CONFIDENCE

The Vice-Chancellor held that Mr. V. R. Nerurkar had influenced Mr. B. J. Akkad and Mr. S. U. Shukla to commit breaches of confidence which the University had reposed in them by appointing them as Chief Moderators, and had also influenced Mr R. P. Pandya, the Chief Moderator in Geography to tamper with the candidate's marks in Geography with a view to increasing them. He also held that certain other moderators, examiners and verifiers had in connection with candidate No. 1937, abused in a greater or less degree the confidence reposed in them by the University. The Syndicate considered the Vice-Chancellor's report and decided to recommend to the Senate that it be reported to the Local Government under Section 17 of the Bombay University Act of 1928 that the appointments of Mr V. R. Nerurkar and Mr. B. J. Akkad as Fellows of the University be cancelled in view of the fact that by their conduct in the case of Candidate No. 1937 at the last Matriculation examination they had proved themselves unworthy to continue as members of the Senate, and that Mr. V. R. Nerurkar, Mr. B. J. Akkad and Mr. S. U. Shukla be debarred for all time from appointment as examiners, moderators or senior supervisors or as members of the inspection committees whether of schools or colleges.

The Syndicate also decided that the following persons be debarred for all time from appointment as examiners, moderators, senior supervisors or in any other capacity in connection with the University examinations:—

1. Mr. R. P. Pandya (Educational Inspector, Baroda Div. Baroda).
2. Mr. R. B. Kench (M. M. English School Umbargaon).
3. Mr. R. T. Kelawala (G. P. P. High School, Vile Parle).
4. Miss D. B. Anklesaria (S.N.D.T. College, Bombay).
5. Professor K. L. Oza (Bahauddin College, Junagadh).
6. Mr. K. M. Nabar (George English School, Vengurla).
7. Mr. M. B. Patel (Retired Teacher).

The Syndicate also debarred Professor D. H. Limaye of the Baroda College, Baroda from appointment as an examiner, moderator, senior supervisor or in any other capacity in connection with the University examinations for a period of five years.

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To-day's Engagements

MAZDAZNAN: Mr. N. F. Mama will speak on "Good Thought" at Mazdaznan Temple Hall opp. Churchgate Station, to-day (Thursday), at 6-15 p.m.

ART SOCIETY OF INDIA: Five Arts Exhibition will be opened to-day (Thursday), at 6 p.m. (S. T.), at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, when the Maharaja of Baroda will preside.

THAKKAR VISSONJI MADHAVJI LECTURES: Dr. H. D. Sankalia will deliver his second lecture to-day (Thursday), at the Lecture Theatre University School of Economics and Sociology on "Historical Geography". Reconstruction of the Caulukya (Solanki) Empire.

CORPORATION: A special meeting of the Standing Committee will be held in the Corporation Hall, to-morrow, at 1 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the further consideration of the Budget Estimates for the year 1945-46.

Death Of Mr. B. R. Mankar

The "Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Mr. Bhujangrao Ramchandra Manker, the founder of Marathi short-hand script at the age of 85. He leaves behind him three sons and two daughters and a large number of relatives and friends.

The funeral will leave his place of residence at 11, Bhatwadi Girgaum, Bombay, at 9-30 a.m.

TODAY ON RADIO

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THURSDAY, Nov. 16.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Nov. 15.

The following is the weather-chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at nine hours I.M.T on 12/11/44:—

Allahabad 89 56 0, BOMBAY 93 73 0 Calcutta 87 63 0, Cawnpore 89 54 0, Cuttack 88 64 0, Darjeeling 54 45 0, Delhi 89 55 0, Dehra Dun 79 54 0, Jacobabad 96 63 0, Karachi 85 77 0, Lahore 90 60 0.1, Lucknow 91 56 0, Madras 85 74 T, Nagpur 87 59 0, Patna 84 62 0, Peshawar 80 55 T, Shillong 63 47 0, Simla 58 48 0.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Truth is as impossible to be soiled by any outward touch as the sunbeams.

—John Milton.

The Bombay Chronicle

GOVERNMENT PLANNING

The Government of India published a few days ago the Second Report of the Reconstruction Committee of the Viceroy's Council on Reconstruction Planning. Government probably wished to forestall the certain discussion in the Central Legislature on various aspects of reconstruction, with special reference to industrial planning, and to provide an excuse for turning down non-official resolutions on this subject. As a matter of fact when the debate on Pandit Kunzru's resolution recommending the appointment of an Industrial Commission moved during the last Budget session of the Council of State was resumed on Monday last the Second Report was often referred to by Sir Ardeshir Dalal as one of the proofs of the fact that Government had already made appreciable progress in the direction aimed at by the resolution. But the progress indicated by the Second Report can hardly be called appreciable. It is nearly as indefinite as the First Report published in May last and only indulges in vague generalities about a number of subjects that need to be considered in any plan of reconstruction. The Report itself admits that "it is not intended to convey specific approval to any particular measures". Nay, it goes so far as to say that "it is not possible for Government to arrive at final conclusions on matters of policy until a more definite picture of the plans of the Provinces as well as the Centre can be drawn" and that it is only meant "to provide guidance to the Departments at the Centre as well as to the Provinces on the lines on which they should proceed". So definite proposals, even of a tentative character, are yet to be formulated by the Provinces and the Central Departments and these are then to be co-ordinated, and we are already warned that the co-ordination is a difficult job as "most of the subjects of development are the responsibility of the Provinces." Yet we are told that the Report is "intended to invite the expression of public opinion and to enlist public support". How can the public express any definite opinions or give any support when there are no definite proposals before them?

In so far as there is any definiteness about the proposals in the Report it is by way of their extremely narrow limits of progress. For instance, with regard to post-war shipping, it is suggested that Indian shipping should have "an increased share of the coastal trade, including trade with Ceylon and Burma". Now two decades ago, the Central Assembly demanded the reservation of coastal trade for Indian shipping, as recommended by the Indian Mercantile Marine Committee. The flouting of this demand has reduced India to the present miserable position about which the Report itself says: "The vulnerability of India's position has been revealed by the stress of war-time conditions, but by no means more glaringly than by her inability to find adequate shipping from her own resources to provide for the transport of the food supplies required by her. The Report accordingly suggests in general terms that the rectification of this state of affairs should be one of the immediate post-war objectives". But the Report throws over-board the twenty-year old demand for reservation of coastal trade and only recommends an "increased share".

And who is to determine this "increased share" and "a fair share in the Eastern trades" and so on? That leads to one of the most unsatisfactory features of the Report which states that "the plans for post-war developments have been drawn up on the basis of the existing constitution, as it is not possible at this stage to anticipate what exact form the future constitution will take." But, planning in the full sense of the term, such as the country has in mind, is hardly possible unless a National Central Government is assumed, controlling a number of subjects of all-India concern. In any case, it is not possible for the public to offer any definite opinions unless Government itself makes some definite proposals. For the present the public only feels that the Reconstruction Reports are for the most part propaganda to show to the people in India, Britain and America that the Government of India is planning big things while as a matter of fact it is doing little or nothing definitely.

Sale Of Gold And Silver

Some interesting questions about the sale of gold and silver in India by the Reserve Bank were asked in the Central Assembly on Monday. The replies of the Finance Member may be thus summarised. He was not aware of the origin of the gold sold in India nor could he say how much of the gold sold in India on behalf of the U. K. and the U. S. A. came from South Africa. So far as the arrangements between U. K. and South Africa were concerned, it was not the business of the Government of India and, therefore, the Finance Member was not aware of the facts. So far as the possible loss to persons who bought the gold now is concerned, the Finance Member observed that no one compelled them to buy the gold.

These replies are obviously unsatisfactory. Inasmuch as the gold is sold by the Reserve Bank of India, and to the public in India, with some consequences at last to a section of the public, we are entitled to know at least the broad features of the policy and the main facts. The Government of India is obviously encouraging this arrangement as an anti-inflationary effort. It is, therefore, vitally interested in the whole business and so are the people. A good deal of the work of several departments of the Central Government is now concentrated on anti-inflationary measures and the public must be taken into confidence regarding the nature and extent of this effort and its success, if any. Anti-inflationary measures depend for their success on public co-operation and goodwill, and the present attitude of the Government of India will increase suspicion instead of enlisting co-operation. The way in which sales of gold on behalf of the U. K. and the U. S. A. have an anti-inflationary effect is that the rupees thus obtained are available for expenditure in this country on behalf of these Governments. It is well-known that such expenditure for the U. K. and the U. S. A. is otherwise financed by the Government of India mainly by addition to the currency. To the extent to which the rupees realised by sales of gold in the above manner reduce the demand of the U. K. and the U. S. A. for inflationary finance from the Government of India, there is an anti-inflationary effect of these gold sales. It is common knowledge, however, that those who buy the gold at high prices today do so voluntarily at their own risk, because if the prices of gold falls, as is not unlikely, after the war is over, these parties will be the losers.

The sales of silver to which also a reference was made in the Assembly at question time are on a different footing though they have the same object. Silver has been obtained by the Government of India from the U. S. A. in large quantities and is to be returned after the war. The silver is sold on behalf of the Government of India and the receipts go to the Indian Treasury. These amounts will also have an anti-inflationary effect inasmuch as the Government of India will be able to finance the war requirements of the U. K. and the U. S. A. in India to this extent without the fresh issue of currency notes. It is not quite correct to say, as the Finance Member did, that the anti-inflationary effect was due to the fact that sales of silver tended to reduce the volume of currency in circulation. This may lead to the impression that there was in consequence of these sales a net contraction of currency. This is far from the truth. The rupees realised by these sales are spent promptly by the Government of India and they go back into circulation almost immediately as the rate of war expenditure is so heavy. The real explanation is, as stated above, that there is a negative advantage of the need for issuing more currency being reduced to the extent of rupees realized by the sales of silver. The same applies to the sales of gold, with the exception that the immediate gain in the case of gold sales, due to the difference between the higher selling price of gold in India and the lower acquisition price of gold in Africa, goes to the U. K. and the U. S. A. In the case of silver the Government of India obtains the entire receipts at the present high prices; it has paid nothing for the silver for the present as the latter has come on a special lend-lease basis; the Government of India will have to acquire an equivalent quantity of silver in future from the market to be able to return it to the U. S. A. If it succeeds in getting the silver in future at a lower price, as is quite possible, it will be at an advantage in the future when these opposite transactions take place. We think it is due to the public that the fullest implications of this policy regarding the sales of gold and silver should be made known to it instead of the present hide and seek policy being followed by the Government of India. In view of the explanation of the policy of Government offered by us will the Government of India and the Reserve Bank issue a clear statement on the subject defining their policy, on the one hand, and publish periodical statements giving the data on the subject from time to time, on the other, so that there need be no suspicion or misunderstanding on the question?

Hitler Superseded?

The mystery about Hitler—and Goering, too—has deepened. Reuter's have found a Social Democrat from Germany who claims to know the facts of the present situation and even the inside story of the attack on Hitler's life. According to him the plot to kill Hitler failed but Himmler has also failed at least in rounding up and suppressing the civilian side of the opposition to the Nazis. But Himmler used the incident of July 20 to extract "unlimited powers from a scared Hitler" and that he, the Gestapo Chief Himmler, has now "seized supreme power in Germany from his former Fuehrer, Hitler." We know that Hitler himself admits in his latest proclamation that there do exist in Germany anti-Nazi elements and that they are more or less at work, too. And we also know that Hitler has been conspicuous by his silence and his invisibility and has let Himmler do all the appearing and talking in public. On the basis of known facts the statement of Reuter's informant seems plausible although it can also be argued on the other hand that the known facts furnish an imaginative informant the materials for building up the whole story. But whatever be the actual truth, the Hitler mystery is deepening from day to day.

Frankly Speaking

Eire And Neutrality

The stand taken by Eire in the matter of giving asylum to what are known as "war criminals" can, on no ground of principle, be regarded as exceptionable. Neutrality as between two combatants in war, in its very nature, carries with it the right to grant or not to grant asylum to any national of any country at war who may choose and manage to seek it. It also, it goes without saying, carries with it the right to decide who is an undesirable and who is not. But neutrality is one of the casualties of this war. It is subject to conditions of functioning as imposed by the stronger side. In the earlier stages of the war it was the Germans, Italians and Japanese—do not let us forget the closing of the Burma Road by the British Government—who demanded, dictated and threatened. They did it in crude and positively aggressive fashion. But they set the essential pattern.

A Wise Course

Their lead has now been taken up by the United Nations. It is their turn to demand that neutrals toe the victors' line. And since it is a mathematical certainty that they will win the war, their demand has the advantage of being final. So that, while Eire has gone on record insisting upon her rights as a neutral, she has, we think, done well in letting it be known indirectly that she would not harbour the "war criminals" of the Axis. From the ethical point of view too, there is little doubt that most of the war-criminals do not deserve any asylum. They have behaved brutally both against individuals and against nations and they should face the consequences of their misdeeds.

A Just Rebuke

It appears that some South Africans are themselves alarmed at the growing racial intolerance in their country. Major-General F. H. Theron, General Officer, South African Defence Forces, Mediterranean, is reported to have remarked: "The people who are intolerant towards the Jews, Indians, the coloured and natives are ignoring the lesson of this war, which is to teach the nations of the world tolerance and patience. We are fighting this war to rid the world of Fascism and Nazism, which must be extirpated not only from Germany, Italy and Japan but also from this country." This is an endorsement of the remark made by many in the Indian Legislature that those South Africans who flaunt their racial intolerance are no better than the Germans and the Japanese. General Theron points out that South African soldiers have developed a broadened outlook from contact with Indian and other troops and will return to their country "more tolerant than they left it". One wonders if it is for that very reason that the intolerants are hustling the new Ordinance without waiting for the end of the war or even for the report of the Judicial Inquiry Commission, appointed by the Union Government to investigate into the question of Indian penetration into European localities. However, those who are tolerant should see to it that the Pretoria Agreement, of which the new Ordinance is a clear violation, stands at least for the duration.

All-India Women's Conference

The Report of the seventeenth session of the All-India Women's Conference, held in the city in April last, contains in its 180 pages of quarto size the full proceedings of the session and also the reports of various committees entrusted with special subjects. It also contains a brief history of the Conference, together with its present constitution and bye-laws. The Report is, indeed, an instructive study of most of the present-day problems affecting women's social status and welfare, with special reference to the proposed reform of Hindu Law. It deserves to be carefully read and preserved by all interested in women's progress in India. Considering its wealth of contents and its excellent printing, get up and photographs, the price of Rs. 2 is moderate, indeed.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ

The Secretary writes:—The Bombay Keraleeya Samaj decided to convene a conference of all Keralites resident in Bombay, and for this purpose, a sub-committee was appointed by the Governing Body to make all preparations subject to the control and direction of the Samaj management. After some time, this Sub-Committee claiming itself to be independent Body started acting contrary to the directions and in a manner which was not in the best interests of the Samaj. As it was feared that the conduct of the conference under such conditions would lower the fair name and prestige of the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj in particular and the Keralites in Bombay in general, the Managing Committee decided to postpone the holding of the Conference and dissolved the Sub-Committee appointed for the purpose. It has however been brought to our notice that some of the members who constituted the dissolved sub-committee are intent upon holding the conference during the course of the next 2 or 3 days. The Bombay Keraleeya Samaj desires to make it clear to all members and Keralites that the Samaj has nothing to do with the said Conference.

Prizes of Rs. 100 each have been awarded to the villages of Bhavadi, in the Indapur taluka of Poona District and Dabhadi, in the Malegaon taluka of Nasik District, for village improvement work.

ASSEMBLY PASSES PUBLIC DEBT BILL

Opposition Amendments Accepted

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15.

The Assembly to-day passed the Finance Member's Public Debt Bill with amenoments framed by agreement between the Government and the Opposition.

The first such amendment was moved by Mr. Krishnamachari as a proviso to Clause VII which lays down that the executors or administrators of a deceased sole holder of a Government security and the holder of a succession certificate shall be the only persons who may be recognised by the bank as having any title to the Government security.

The proposed proviso was to the effect that nothing in this section shall bar the recognition by the bank or the manager or the sole surviving male member of a Hindu undivided family governed by the Mitakshara Law as having a title to a Government security, when the security appears to the bank to stand in the name of a deceased member of the family, and an application is made by such manager or sole surviving member for recognition of his title, and is supported by a certificate signed by such authority and after such enquiry as may be prescribed to the effect that the deceased belonged to a Hindu undivided family governed by the Mitakshara Law, that the Government security formed part of the joint property of the family, and that the applicant is the managing or sole surviving male member of the family."

The amendment was intended to continue the existing concession given to the member of a joint Hindu family governed by the Mitakshara Law with regard to the recognition of his title to a Government security.

In the course of the debate on amendment Mr. Chapman Mortimer registered a mild protest that Government and Congress always made some arrangement over our heads and we were supposed to agree to it (laughter).

Eventually the amendment was passed.

An amendment was also accepted to clause nine which provides summary procedure on the death of a holder of Government securities not exceeding Rs. 5,000 face value. The clause as it stands gives power to the bank to determine who is the person entitled to a security or securities, if within six months of the death of the original holder, probate of his will or letter of administration of his estate or a succession certificates is not produced to the bank. The amendment seeks to add a further provision that the bank could so determin, the title if proof to the satisfaction of the bank that proceedings have been instituted to obtain a probate, or letters of administration or a succession certificate is not furnished.

INTEREST OF GOVT. SECURITIES

The House passed Mr. Sri Prakasa's amendment providing that "where no shorter period of limitation is fixed by any law for the time being in force, the liability of the Central Government in respect of any interest payment due on a Government security shall terminate on the expiry of six years from the date on which the amount due by way of interest became payable."

Mr. Sri Prakasa explained that the original clause in the bill laid down that after the expiry of 12 years neither capital nor interest would be payable, but now as a result of the agreed amendment there was no limitation for the payment of capital but there was a limitation of six years on the payment of interest. There was, however, one point on which he hoped the Finance Member would be able to give satisfaction.

Under a so-called law at the present moment persons could be detained indefinitely, and as Dr. Syed Mahmud had showed the other day such persons might not be allowed to communicate with lawyers or sign power of attorney in respect of their property. It was possible, therefore, that persons who in these circumstances were kept in jail for six years would be deprived of interest on their Government Securities.

Sir Jeremy Raisman said the object was to facilitate the administration of Public Debt and that the limitation as he understood it was intended to prevent a second claim for payment of interest being initiated in a court after the period of six years. It would follow that in a case such as that referred to by Mr. Sri Prakasa the authorities administering Public Debt would be unlikely to refuse to entertain reasonable representations. Sir Jeremy remarked that this was an agreed amendment and he was surprised that Mr. Sri Prakasa should think himself free to argue against such an amendment.

Mr. Sri Prakasa's amendment and a few consequential amendments were accepted.

The House passed the bill as amended.

RICE FUND BILL

During the resumed debate on Mr. Tyson's motion to refer the Rice Fund Bill to a select committee, Mr. Tyson announced that he was prepared to accept Mr. Esaak Sait's amendment that the bill be circulated for the purpose of eliciting public opinion thereon by February 28, 1945.

Further debate was adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

Coupland Report Echo In Assembly

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15.

Replying to Mr. Krishnamachari's question in the Central Assembly to-day about Government's attitude to Prof. Coupland's report on the constitutional problems of India, the Leader of the House, Sir Sultan Ahmed, said that the policy was to leave the framing of the future constitution of India to Indians themselves, and in view of this, no question arose of the Government of India either considering the recommendations of Prof. Coupland or defining their attitude with regard to them.

"Whatever views may be held as to his conclusions, Prof. Coupland's report is undoubtedly a comprehensive study of the Indian constitutional problem; and the broadcasts on the subject arranged by All-India Radio were intended only to stimulate thought and discussion on constitutional problems among the public.

Mr. Krishnamachari asked if the Leader of the House or any of his colleagues had had any part in the shaping of the proposals put forward by Prof. Coupland.

Sir Sultan Ahmed: No.

Mr. Neogy: Is it a fact that a secret and select non-official committee under the Government of India's auspices is sitting in Delhi for devising a constitutional scheme on the lines of the Coupland report?

Sir Sultan Ahmed: I am not aware of it.

JAWAHAR'S DETENTION INDICTS BRITISH RULE

Speakers At London Meeting Pay Tributes To Nehru As "One Of The Great Statemen Of The World"

LONDON, November 15:—The release of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was demanded by every speaker at a public meeting organised here by the India League on Pandit Nehru's 55th birthday yesterday.

"We have come here to pay tribute to one of the greatest personalities of our age", said Mr. Davies, Labour Member, who was chairman of the meeting. "We shall convey to him our profound regard and admiration and our own sense of personal guilt and shame".

Mr. Edward Thompson, an intimate friend of Pandit Nehru, asked: "What can you say of a Government that keeps a man like Nehru in prison—a man who cares passionately for the sufferings of all peoples?"

Lt.-Col. Hans Khalek, the German anti-Fascist Commander of the International Brigade in Spain, who met Nehru in Spain in 1938, and Spanish and Czech speakers also paid tributes to Pandit Nehru.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Labour member and Leader of the Opposition in the Commons, in a message to the chairman expressing regret that he was unable to attend owing to a Parliamentary engagement, wrote: "I hope he will have many happy returns of his birthday, and may see Indian peoples living in amity and prosperity under their own guidance."

Letters were received, among others, from members of Parliament D. N. Pritt, F. W. Pethick Lawrence, T. E. Harvey and also from Dame Sybil Thorndike.

Mr. S. A. Dange, President of the All-India Trades Union Congress and Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the India League, also spoke deploring Pandit Nehru's imprisonment.

The meeting passed the following resolution:

"This public meeting in London called on the occasion of the 55th birthday of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru pays tribute to the courage and suffering of this great Indian patriot, anti-Fascist and democrat, whom we recognise not only as a great Indian but as one of the great statesmen of the world.

"We deplore and protest against his imprisonment which indicts the system of administration and the whole of Britain's present relations with India and stands in sharp conflict with the desires and wishes of the people of Britain". —Reuter.

U.N.R.R.A. HAS NO FOOD GRAINS

Srivastava's Reply To Critics

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15.

In the Council of State to-day speaking on the food situation Sir Jogendra Singh, member, Education, Health and Lands departments, replied to criticisms levelled against the grow more food campaign.

Sir Sobha Singh, Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal Motilal, Messrs. M. N. Dalal, P. N. Sapru and others participated in debate.

Refuting the allegation that in the matter of purchases of Nepal rice, the Government of India bought it at a higher price than had been arranged by the Bengal Government Mr. B. R. Sen, made statement in the Council.

Mr. Jwalaprasad Srivastava, replied to the debate.

As to why the Government of India did not approach the United States and empire countries direct for our food imports, Sir Jwalaprasad said that we could not do so. India's requirements would be placed before the Food Council in London which was the appropriate body which co-ordinated the surpluses and demands of the Empire countries. There was a Food Council in Washington composed of the United Nations who allocated limited supplies. The London Council approached the Washington Council for foodgrains.

Replying to the point as to why the Government of India had not approached the U.N.R.R.A. the Food Member said that the House should bear in mind that the U.N.R.R.A. had no foodgrains. The U.N.R.R.A. also would have to go to the Food Council in Washington for its needs. India was already getting allocations direct from Washington, and she could not duplicate her demands. It might be that India might be able to get some additional quantities for areas near Burma and Chittagong due to their nearness to the war area and the stress caused to those areas on account of the war, but the quantity that might be received would be meagre.

Dealing with the situation in Bengal, the Food Member said that Government felt extremely doubtful of their being able to feed Calcutta which they did last year. The demand for rice from other parts of India, especially the south, was great. He was prepared to consider the demands of Calcutta on the same basis as the demands of other parts of India.

The Council adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

Directorate Of Food Inspection

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15.

A Directorate of Inspection in the Central Food Department will be created soon, which would supervise and guide inspection of foodgrains in both the supplying and receiving provinces.

This was revealed by Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava, Food Member, winding up the two-day food debate in the Council of State.

It will be recalled that a controversy is going on between the Centre and both the supplying and receiving Provinces over the question, the supplying and receiving Provinces insisting on inspection at their end respectively.—United Press.

Kamaladevi And Jivraj Mehta At Sevagram

SEVAGRAM, Nov. 15: Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, President of the All-India Women's Conference, arrived here yesterday morning. She is staying at the Sevagram Ashram.

Dr. Jivraj Mehta also arrived here yesterday.—United Press.

Majlis Secretary Contradicts Report

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15: Dr. Shaukat Ullah Shah Ansari, General Secretary of the All-India Muslim Majlis, contradicts a Press report from Patna that Mahatma Gandhi has been approached by some prominent Nationalist Muslims with a new formula for Hindu-Muslim unity and that Mahatma Gandhi has given his blessings to it.

Dr. Ansari says that Maulana Hussain Ahmed Madni, President of the Jamiatul-Ulema-I-Hind has neither met Mahatma Gandhi nor has he sponsored any formula so far.—A. P.

FREEDOM FOR MUSLIM MASSES

Majlis' Lead To Country

"So long as India is a suoject nation, the present pitiable condition of the Muslim masses would never improve. Achievement of our freedom mainly depends on unity among all communities, and the All-India Muslim Majlis will work, keeping that ideal in view," said Mr. M. Y. Nurie, ex-Minister of the Bombay Government speaking at a meeting held at Ripon Road, on Wednesday night.

Mr. Nurie who was explaining the aims and the objects of the Muslim Majlis referred to the silence of the Majlis' members during the recent Gandhi-Jinnah talks, and said that they did not like to stand in the way of a settlement between the Congress and the Muslim League because they felt that such a course would be conducive to the achievement of our country's freedom. In fact, they had entirely put a stop to their activities after the publication of Rajaji's formula, but the talks having failed, it became their duty to propagate their principles in the interest of the Muslims.

Ever since the Majlis gained strength among the Muslim masses, the Muslim League was trying its best to bring the Majlis into contempt, the reason being that they opposed to the ideas of the Muslim League which was middle-class organization interested in maintaining its status. The class constituted hardly 20 per cent of the Muslim community.

Referring to the Muslim demand of partition of India, Mr. Nurie said, that the League would not define 'Pakistan' but demanded that it should be agreed to by the Congress. This attitude delayed the day of independence." First, we must join hands with all those forces which are fighting for country's freedom, and after achieving it, should put our demands because the Muslims, being poor and backward are in greater need than others of political freedom through which alone they can improve their condition. The Majlis will educate Muslim masses towards this end", concluded Mr. Nurie.

"AIR LETTER" SERVICE

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15: An "air letter" service for the United Kingdom at six annas per letter will be introduced on December 1, 1944. The rate of postage for the airgraph has been reduced from 8 annas to four annas. —A. P.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WARDHA COMMENT—

"To emphasise the special nature of his appointment, Mr. Thomas will draw only nominal remuneration and a seat will have to be found for him as he is not at present a member of that body. The experiment is well worth trying and Sind's example should commend itself to other provinces."

—The "Times of India."

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Following his boss in the Assembly, Mr. Conran Smith, Home Secretary, has informed the Council of State that Babu Rajendra Prasad's health was reported to be satisfactory.

You need not ask what constitutes "satisfactory", if you remember the standard laid down by Sir Reginald Maxwell in explaining that ailing members of the Working Committee were to be released when Government were satisfied that their condition of health precluded them from doing anything.

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In a birthday tribute to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Sjt. B. G. Kher says: "His release will be in the best interest of Great Britain and the United Nations, because he is the greatest anti-fascist force in India."

Even the best of our leaders are sometimes apt to raise entirely and utterly irrelevant issues.

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According to an Anglo-Indian report, Mr. Mealing, a Calcutta European, participating in the Food debate in the Council of State, said that Bengal had made mistakes but pleaded that much should be forgiven a province so near the battle.

That sounds like a suggestion that the distress in Bengal has been due more to the war than to the increase in population. Mr. Mealing, apart from ignoring the truth has let down Messrs. Churchill and Amery. This is simply not done Mr. Mealing.

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Indian troops are now operating in Greece, writes an Indian Army observer from Salonika.

It always gives us a thrill of pride to learn that Indian troops are participating in the great democratic mission of liberating one country after another in—Europe.

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Addressing a meeting at Cawnpore Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai is reported "to have made an impassioned plea for casting aside inferiority complex from which Indians suffered and to discard sectarianism."

We indignantly protest. This is intolerable. It is a direct and two-pronged attack on the leadership of the—yes, quite right.

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Apropos of the crisis reported to be threatening the Sind Ministry a News Agency suggests that Sir Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah, the perpnial Premier, may quit the League in order to head an all-Party Cabinet.

This, we are afraid, is certainly a possibility. We, therefore, earnestly hope every thing will be done to keep Sir Ghulam in the League. Later when circumstances allow it—but they should be judged with extreme care—the Jinnah-Sikan—sorry we mean the Jinnah-Hidayatullah Pact may be proved never to have existed at all.

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"The Gestapo Chief Himmler is reported to have seized supreme power in Germany from his former Fuehrer, Hitler"—Reuter.

Poetic justice!

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Silent watches of the night are those we forget to wind.

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Some men will stand up for the fair sex everywhere—except in a street car.

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You can scarcely blame a yacht for jumping up and down when it is put on another tack.

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The meanest trick a woman plays on her husband is to increase his stock of family connections.

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In contemplating what he has done for others the average man is apt to overlook what others have done for him.

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There's no objection to a man's taking up his residence almost anywhere but when it comes to shoplifting—well, that's different.

TEXTILE CONTROL

WARNING TO ALL DEALERS

In Notification No. T. B. (1) 29/44 in the Gazette of India of the 4th November 1944 Clause 14 of the Cotton Cloth and Yarn (Control) Order, 1943, has been amended. After 31st December 1944 it will be an offence under the Order for any dealer to buy, sell or hold any cloth or yarn manufactured in India and packed before the 1st August 1943, or texmarked cloth or yarn packed after the 31st July 1943 and before the 1st January 1944.

Any cloth or yarn whether manufactured in India or imported must in future be finally disposed of within twelve months from the last date of the month marked on the goods; such cloth or yarn may not be kept in unopened bales after six months from that date. The amendment further states that a bale or case shall be deemed to be unopened if the hoops or other bindings and all other outer covering have not been removed.

All dealers are warned that no extension will be given by the Textile Commissioner in the time for disposal stated above unless the holder can show that he was unable to dispose of the goods due to causes entirely beyond his control. Dealers who contravene the above provisions will render themselves liable to cancellation of their dealer's licence and to prosecution, and Courts are empowered to confiscate the goods in respect of which the offence is committed.

M. K. VELLODI
Textile Commissioner,
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

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(Ford Trucks are available in India equipped with a Government type of load body; with locally built cab, or as a bare chassis with windscreen.)

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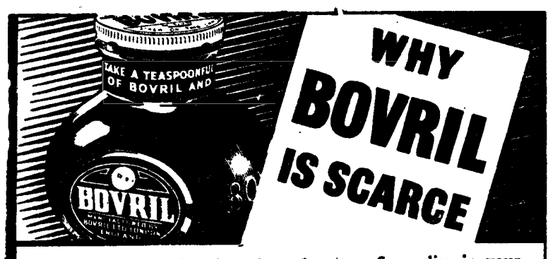

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CITY MARKETS

Share Bazar Closed

BOMBAY, Nov. 14.

The Bombay Stock Exchange remained officially closed today as a mark of respect to the death of Seth Jamnadas Morarji, a prominent member of the Exchange.

Bombay Cotton

The cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 410 for March delivery and declined to Rs. 409/4 under scattered selling. At the decline there was some short covering and March recovered to the opening level. There was absence of any professional activity and prices moved within a narrow range. Bulls are not anxious to raise prices and are awaiting an opportunity to unload without depressing prices.

There was scattered buying and March improved to Rs. 410/12. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I. C. C. March 410 4 0
I. C. C. May 413 12 0

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton March Contract is 594 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331.

Gold & Silver

The local Bullion market was again firm today under active buying and daily sales by the Bank fail to discourage new buyers at higher rates. Thus both Gold and Silver quotations are reaching higher levels.

The Reserve Bank sold today 75,000 tolas Gold at Rs. 64/3 and 300 bars Silver at Rs. 115/7. This goes to prove that the Bank is not interested in the price level and higher tenders are accepted. Thus those who are lucky to see their tenders passed are able to earn handsome profits daily. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 63/8 and advanced to Rs. 64/4. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 114 and hardened to Rs. 114/12 while ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 117.

Later on there was some realising. Closing quotations were as under:—

Ready Gold Rs. 64/1, Forward Rs 63/10, Sovereigns Rs. 45, Ready Silver Rs. 116/4, Forward Rs. 114/8.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Nov. 14.

Spot 23-1/2 Forward 23-1/2 Gold bars fine per oz. £8/8/0

METAL QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Nov. 15.

BRASS BHANGAR: Ready 139, Kartak 136/12, Posh 129/4.
COPPER BHANGAR: Ready 121, Kartak 119/8 Posh 119/8.

BOMBAY PRODUCE

BOMBAY, Nov. 15.

The Produce market was quietly steady with a limited turnover. Groundnuts Bombay Bold were quoted at Rs. 13/11 and December, February quotation was Rs. 13/6. Khandesh quality was quoted at Rs. 14/2 and December, February at Rs. 14/3. Castorseeds Rs. 15/6. Goa Rs. 15/2 and December, March stood at Rs. 14/12. Linseed C.P. and U.P. was quoted at Rs. 14/11. G.I.P. Moglai was placed at Rs. 14/7 and Satra at Rs. 14/3.

NEW YORK COTTON PRICES DECLINE ON REPORTED FINANCIAL DISTURBANCES

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.

On Tuesday the New York cotton market was easy, and lost about one dollar per bale in distant positions.

The market was influenced by reported financial disturbances in Germany. In case of such a position, the market anticipated early end of the war.

The market opened steadily but trading became sluggish reflecting persistant dribbling hedge selling notably in distant months. At the opening December was quoted 21.80 and improved to 21.81 which was the highest level. Thereafter there was a continuous decline and December touched the low level of 21.64. The market closed easy at a decline of 13 to 19 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 15 points at 22.12c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.

December 21.66—13 January 21.64—13 March 21.72—19 May 21.72—19 July 21.57—19 October 20.84—18 December highest 21.81+02 (10-2 a.m.) lowest 21.64—15 (2-55 p.m.) Middling Spot 22.12—15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December 21.67—13 January——March 21.76—18 Middling Spot 21.25—10

NOON CALL

December 21.75 March 21.82 May 21.85

PRODUCE RECEIPTS.

Bombay, Nov. 15.

Cotton Bales 2501. Groundnuts cwts 3585, Linseed cwts 2591, Tilseed cwts 228.

WALL STREET MARKET.

New York, Nov. 14.

U. S. Steel ..... 56 1/8—5/8
General Motors ..... 61-3/4—3/4
Anaconda Copper ..... 26-5/8—3/8

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Nov. 14.

T. T. London on:—
New York sellers 4.02-1/2 buyers 4.03-1/2 Madrid official 14.00 Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47 Zurich sellers 17.5 buyers 17.4 Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Nov 14.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (new crop) 41 Nov/Dec quoted
Wheat Australian (bulk) 45 Nov/Dec quoted
Wheat Australian (bags) 48 Nov/Dec quoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Nov. 14.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	72-3/8
Consols 2-1/2 p c	51-1/4
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 105	
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	103-15/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113-7/16
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-1/2
Chartered Bank of I. A. & China	10-7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	85
National Bank of India	42-3/4

CALCUTTA SHARE BAZAR.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 15.

The market rules slightly better on renewed buying support. The volume of business was fair and satisfactory Government Securities continued firm. Following are to-day's final transaction:

GOVT. SECURITIES: 3 per cent Defence Loan 1949/52 101/12 Small Odd Lot, 3 per cent Loan 1951/54 101 S. Lot, 3 per cent Loan 1953/55 100/10 S. Lots, 3 per cent Victory 1957 99/14/6, 3 per cent Loan 1966/68 98/8 S. Lot, 3-1/2 per cent Government Paper 100/1 3-1/2 per cent Loan 1947/50 104/4 S. Lots 4-1/2 per cent Loan 1955/60 116/12, 5 per cent Loan 1945/55 103/10.

BANKS: Imperial Bank (Conty) 502, Reserve Bank 136.

COTTONS: Benares Cotton 13, Cawnpore Textile 14, Elgin Mills 66 Dunbar 267, New Victoria Ordy. 8/4.

COALS: Amalgamated 44/12 S. Lot, Bokaro and Ramgur 39/6 Ex Div., Burrakur 40, East Indian 81/4, Parasea 11/6, Raneegung 50/12, Samla 9/2, Searsole 7/14, Sendra 24/7, South Karanpura 21/8, Bhalgor 15/5, Churuda 5/9, Equitable 62/10, New Beerbhoom 34/12, Satpukuria and Asansol 7/8.

JUTES: Anglo-India 445, Barnagore 208, Howrah 83 Cum Div., Kamarhatty 644, Megna 112 S. Lot, Presidency 10/4, Union 479, Champdany 249, CT India 692, Nuddea 126/8, Standard 298.

MININGS: Burma Corpn. 4/9, Karanpura Development 28, Consolidated Tin 3/2, Rhodesia Copper 2/2.

ENGINEERING: Braithwaite and Co. 11/13, Burn and Co. 412, Indian Iron 38/6, Kumardhubi Eng. 11/4, National Iron 13/5, Steel Corpn. Ordy. 32.

MISCELLANEOUS: Balmer Lawrie 447, B. I. Corpn. 6/9 S. Lot, Calcutta Tram 48/14, Indian National Airways 21/12, National Insulated Cables 13/3 British Burma Petroleum 4, Northern India Oil 22/4.

PAPER MILLS: India Paper Pulp 214, Star Paper 15/15, Titaghur Paper 47/12.

SUGARS: Belsund 15/15, Buland 44/8 Small Odd Lot, Carew 28/3 Murree 28/10 New Savan 19/12 CT Puritabpore 23/12.

TEA SHARES: Bateli 16/4, Central Cachair 90/8 Ex Div., Duffalghur 23/2, Hasimara 76/4, Ledo 214, Patrakola 1,210, Texpore 20/8, Bishnauth 42/2 East India 16/2, Hansqua 15, Sapoi 21/4.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Nov. 14.

LONDON Banks buying 90 Days/st. 1/6 1/4 1 & 2 months. 1/6 9/32 3 to 6 months.

B. C. RATES. T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks sell T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Bank buy T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 1/8
LDN/NEW YORK. Rs. 332 3/4 Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buy Rs. 329 1/2 Rs. 326 1/2
LDN/MONTREAL. Banks sell Rs. 302 1/2 Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buy Rs. 297 3/4 Rs. 294 1/4
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.
Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p c 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c, 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c 12 months 1 1/4 p c.
Tone:—Very Easy.

BENGAL TREASURY BILLS.

Tenders for Rs. Five Crores of three months' Government of Bengal Treasury Bills will be received at the Offices of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay and Calcutta, up to 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 23rd November. Successful tenderers will be required to make payment and take up their bills on Saturday, the 25th November.

Second LL.B. Exam Result

The following candidates have passed the Second LL.B. examination of the Bombay University held on October.

FIRST CLASS (In order of merit): Nos. 73 456.

SECOND CLASS Nos.: 5 6 8 16 21 22 31 33 34 36 37 49 50 51 55 60 65 70 75 79 87 151 152 156 157 159 162 163 164 165 167 169 181 182 183 184 189 190 195 202 203 204 209 210 211 222 261 262 264 265 271 277 278 279 281 285 286 287 289 292 294 299 326 327 329 331 334 335 345 353 357 361 364 368 369 374 401 402 407 408 413 416 421 422 423 432 433 434 435 436 439 440 445 447 451 454 457 458 460 461 462 465 472 475 476 509 515 516 519 520 521 523 526 527 528 529 530 531 538 540.

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The result of candidate No. 176 is reserved.

U. S. Planes Set Ablaze 11 Enemy Vessels And Oil Tankers

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14

A Japanese light cruiser was badly damaged and two destroyers exploded when attacked by carrier-based American planes in the Manila Bay area on Sunday states the 'communique' from Admiral Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific.

It is estimated eleven cargo vessels and oil tankers were sunk or left blazing. A floating dock was hit. Eighteen Japanese planes were shot down. Another ten Japanese planes were shot down elsewhere.

The 'communique' "estimated that 130 to 140 enemy planes on Legaspi, Manila and Clark airstrips were strafed. One of the surface ships was damaged."—Reuter.

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IF YOU HAVE OVER ONE MONTH'S STOCK OF FOODGRAINS.....

Remember that from November, 26 1944, possession of more than one month's stock of rice, wheat, bajri, jowar or barley in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District has been prohibited except under a license.

One month's stock is calculated at the rate of 2 paylis per foodgrains ration unit in respect of each of the articles separately. For example, a family of two adults and one child of four years will have a total of 5 ration units on their cards! The family's one month's stock would thus mean 10 paylis of rice, wheat, bajri jowar and barley each (and not 10 paylis of all of them in the aggregate).

If you have one month's stock of any one or more of these articles separately do not acquire any further quantity of the article or articles concerned. And if you are likely to have such excess stock on November 26, 1944 please apply to your local Rationing Office in the prescribed form to get a license under which alone you can keep that excess stock after that date. The license will be granted to you against the cancellation of appropriate Squares on your ration cards or permits (the order applies equally to private households and establishments)

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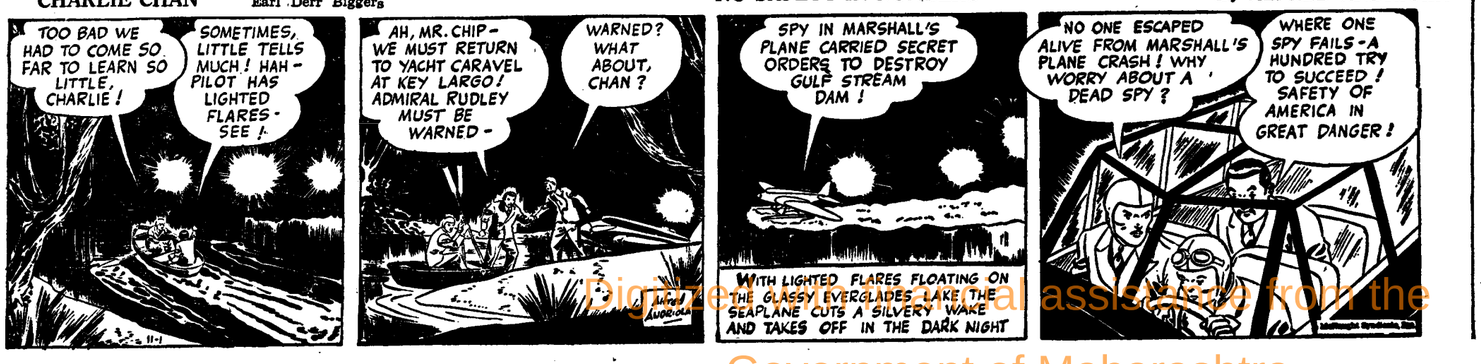
TOO BAD WE HAD TO COME SO FAR TO LEARN SO LITTLE, CHARLIE!
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AH, MR. CHIP - WE MUST RETURN TO YACHT CARAVEL AT KEY LARGO! ADMIRAL RUDLEY MUST BE WARNED -
WARNED? WHAT ABOUT, CHAN?
SPY IN MARSHALL'S PLANE CARRIED SECRET ORDERS TO DESTROY GULF STREAM DAM!
WITH LIGHTED FLARES FLOATING ON THE GLASSY EVERGLADES LAKE, THE SEAPLANE CUTS A SILVERY WAKE AND TAKES OFF IN THE DARK NIGHT
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Applications are invited for the following posts from the natives of Province of Bombay and below the age of twenty-five. In case of Backward and Intermediate Communities this age limit will be relaxed by three years. Asstt. Storekeeper (75-5/2-90-5-150) Candidates must be Science Graduates with Chemistry as principal subject. Persons having experience in the stores Department will be preferred. Typist Clerks (50-5/2-90) Candidates must be Matriculates with fair knowledge of typing and/or accounting. Pass Graduates will be given a start of Rs 60/- and Honors Rs. 70/- per month in the grade. All the posts carry Dearness Allowance of Rs. 18/- p.m. Apply to the Director, Haffkine Institute, Parel, Bombay, giving full details of Domicile, Birth date, Educational qualifications and previous experience with copies of certificates before the 25th November, 1944. 1000

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Wanted immediately for the Jagat- jit Distilling & Allied Industries Ltd., Hamira, N.-W. R.: 1. Hellige's Colorimeter or any other make Colorimeter (not comparator). 2. Electrometric P. H. Meter (Industrial Type-Automatic) 3. Electric Muffle Furnace operating at 230 Volts with a maximum temperature of 1050 deg. C. 4. Centrifuge for Lab; Electrically operated. 5. Polariscope. 6. High vacuum Pump for Lab. Quote prices specifying whether new or second-hand (good working condition) Materials 6584.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost a bank draft on Central Bank of India Bombay on 14th instant between Matunga, Dadar and Santa Cruz. Finder Reward Rs. 50. Please communicate Box No. 6583. "Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.
THE SCINDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain closed from 1st to 30th December, 1944, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For The Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.,
Agents
Scindia House, Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 15-11-1944. (1012)

B. B. & C. I. RLY.

Grainshop Department, Bombay.

TENDERS returnable by 1 p.m. on Monday the 20th November 1944 are invited for the supply at Bombay of Toor Dall (Oiled), Mung Dall and Jaggery.

For particulars, apply at once to the Controller, Grainshops, General Offices Churchgate, Bombay. 1005

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

The Divisional Engineer G.I.P. Railway Bombay invites tenders upto 12 hours on 24-11-1944 for constructing Grain Shop and Godown at Byculla Transportation Work Shop. The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. Plans for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3|- being made. These sums will not be refunded. (1007)

PUBLIC NOTICES

CUT THIS OUT AND KEEP

The text of Order No. 10255|39 from the "Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary" dated 7th November, 1944, is reproduced below If you are an owner, occupier or person in possession of residential accommodation within any of these five wards, please preserve it.

Revenue Department
Bombay Castle, 7th November, 1944.

ORDER

Defence of India Rules

No. 10255|39—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (5) of rule 75-A and clauses (aa) and (bb) of sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from the 1st November 1944. . . . .

(1) Every owner, occupier or person in possession of residential accommodation situated in the area described in the Schedule annexed to this Order, intending to let or sub-let any such residential accommodation whether furnished or unfurnished and whether with or without board, shall forthwith give intimation of such intention to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Revenue Department, in the form appended hereto. .

(2) No owner, occupier or person in possession of such residential accommodation shall let or sub-let it without the permission of Government, before the expiration of three weeks from the date of such intimation.

(3) Nothing in this Order shall apply to residential accommodation which is less than a self-contained house or flat or to clubs or to the hotels and lodging houses to which Part IV of the Bombay Rents, Hotel Rates and Lodging House Rates (Control) Act, 1944 (Bom. VII of 1944), applies.

SCHEDULE

Name of Ward	Description of Boundaries
Upper Colaba Middle and Lower Colaba Fort Southern	A line starting from Colaba point extending along the harbour up to its junction with the extention of Ballard Road, thence along the South side of Ballard Road, Sir Pherozesha Mehta Road and Napier Road, thence cutting across Esplanade Road to Mayo Road, thence along the East side of Mayo Road up to its junction with Church Gate Street, thence along the South side of Church Gate Street, Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road to meet Backbay, thence along Backbay Sea-wall West of Blocks 6, 7 and 8 to Colaba point.
Fort Northern Esplanade	A line starting from Backbay near Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road, extending along the North side of Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road, Churchgate Street up to its junction with Mayo Road, thence along the West side of Mayo Road, cutting Esplanade Road to Napier Road, thence along the North side of Napier Road, Sir Pherozesha Mehta Road, and Ballard Road, thence in a straight line to meet the harbour, thence along the Sea, up to the North wharf of Carnac Basin, thence along the aforesaid wharf along the South side of Carnac Road, 1st Marine Street, continuing thence in a straight line to Backbay Sea-wall, thence along the sea to the starting point, viz., junction of Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road and Backbay Sea-wall.
Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi	A line starting from the junction of Thakurdwar Road and Bhuleshwar Road extending along the South side of Thakurdwar Road, thence in a straight line running South of Government Printing Press to meet Backbay Sea-wall, thence Southward along Backbay up to its junction with the Road in continuation of 1st Marine Street, South of Marine Line Station, thence along the North side of the aforesaid Road, 1st Marine Street and Carnac Road to its junction with Kalbadevi Road, thence along the West side of Kalbadevi Road to its junction with Dady Seth Agyari Street, thence along the South side of Dady Seth Agyari Street to its junction with Cathedral Street thence along the West side of Cathedral Street and Bhuleshwar Road to the starting point, viz., junction of Thakurdwar and Bhuleshwar Roads.
Girgaum Chaupati	A line starting from the junction of Harvey and Girgaum Roads extending along the South side of Girgaum Road up to its junction with Vithalbhai Patel Road, thence along the South side of Vithalbhai Patel Road, and West side of Thakurdwar Road, thence in a straight line to Sea, thence along the Canady Seaface up to its junction with Harvey Road, thence along East side of Harvey Road to the starting point, viz., to its junction with Girgaum Road.
Walkeshwar Mahalaxmi	A line starting from the junction of Harvey Road and Sea extending along the West side of Harvey Road, North of Frere Bridge to its junction with B. B. and C. I. Railway lines, thence along the West side of B. B. and C. I. Railway lines up to its junction with Clerk Road, thence along the South side of Clerk Road to meet the Sea at Hornby Vellard, thence along the Sea up to the Malbar point, thence Northward along the Sea to the starting point, viz., to its junction with Harvey Road.

FORM

Name of landlord or tenant	Nature of accommodation to be let or sub-let, i. e., number of rooms and approximate floor space in square feet	Whether furnished or unfurnished	Whether with or without board	Date from which it is intended to let or sub-let the accommodation

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
M. J. DESAI,
Secretary.

The text of Order No. 10255|39 (a) dated the 7th November, 1944 from the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated 7th November, 1944, is reproduced below. If you are an owner of premises situated in the area to which the Order applies, please furnish the information required to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Revenue Department, Secretariat, Bombay, on or before the 21st November 1944. In furnishing the information, please follow the instructions reproduced at the foot of this advertisement.

Revenue Department,
Bombay Castle, 7th November, 1944.

ORDER

Defence of India Rules

No. 10255|39 (a)—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (a) of sub-rule (5) of rule 75-A and clauses (aa) and (f) of sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that every owner of premises situated in the area described in the Schedule annexed to this Order shall, on or before the 21st November, 1944, furnish to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, information regarding each self-contained house or flat in his premises and the names of each of the tenants and sub-tenants, if any, occupying each such self-contained house or flat as on 1st November, 1944.

Nothing in this Order shall apply to a residential unit which is less than a self-contained house or flat or to clubs or to the hotels and lodging houses to which Part IV of the Bombay Rents, Hotel Rates and Lodging House Rates (Control) Act, 1944 (Bom. VII of 1944), applies.

SCHEDULE

Name of Ward	Description of Boundaries
Upper Colaba Middle and Lower Colaba Fort Southern	A line starting from Colaba point extending along the harbour up to its junction with the extension of Ballard Road, thence along the South side of Ballard Road, Sir Pherozesha Mehta Road, and Napier Road, thence cutting across Esplanade Road to Mayo Road, thence along the East side of Mayo Road up to its junction with Churchgate Street, thence along the South side of Church Gate Street, Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road to meet Backbay, thence along Backbay Sea-wall West of Blocks 6, 7 and 8 to Colaba point.
Fort Northern Esplanade	A line starting from Backbay near Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road, extending along the North side of Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road, Churchgate Street up to its junction with Mayo Road, thence along the West side of Mayo Road, cutting Esplanade Road to Napier Road, thence along the North side of Napier Road, Sir Pherozesha Mehta Road, and Ballard Road, thence in a straight line to meet the harbour, thence along the Sea, up to the North wharf of Carnac Basin, thence along the aforesaid wharf along the South side of Carnac Road, 1st Marine Street, continuing thence in a straight line to Backbay Sea-wall, thence along the Sea to the starting point, viz., junction of Sir Dinshaw Wachha Road and Backbay Sea-wall.
Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi	A line starting from the junction of Thakurdwar Road and Bhuleshwar Road extending along the South side of Thakurdwar Road, thence in a straight line running South of Government Printing Press to meet Backbay Sea-wall, thence Southward along Backbay up to its junction with the Road in continuation of 1st Marine Street, South of Marine Line Station, thence along the North side of the aforesaid Road, 1st Marine Street and Carnac Road to its junction with Kalbadevi Road, thence along the West side of Kalbadevi Road to its junction with Dady Seth Agyari Street, thence along the South side of Dady Seth Agyari Street to its junction with Cathedral Street thence along the West side of Cathedral Street and Bhuleshwar Road to the starting point, viz., junction of Thakurdwar and Bhuleshwar Roads.
Girgaum Chaupati	A line starting from the junction of Harvey and Girgaum Roads extending along the South side of Girgaum Road up to its junction with Vithalbhai Patel Road, thence along the South side of Vithalbhai Patel Road, and West side of Thakurdwar Road, thence in a straight line to Sea, thence along the Canady Seaface up to its junction with Harvey Road, thence along East side of Harvey Road to the starting point viz., to its junction with Girgaum Road.
Walkeshwar Mahalaxmi	A line starting from the junction of Harvey Road and Sea extending along the West side of Harvey Road, North of Frere Bridge to its junction with B. B. and C. I. Railway lines, thence along the West side of B. B. and C. I. Railway lines up to its junction with Clerk Road, thence along the South side of Clerk Road to meet the Sea at Hornby Vellard, thence along the Sea up to the Malbar point, thence Northward along the Sea to the starting point, viz., to its junction with Harvey Road.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay,
H. T. SORLEY,
Secretary to Government.

Instructions:

I. Please mark the outside of your envelope "Accommodation Order" and give the name and ward according to its description, i.e., (1) Upper Colaba, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Southern; (2) Fort Northern, Esplanade; (3) Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi; (4) Girgaum Chaupati; (5) Walkeshwar, Mahalaxmi, within which the property is situated.

II. Please give your FULL name and address. The surname should be given in block capitals. Then give the address and description of each property, and the list of tenants and sub-tenants, if any. If you own more than one property in different wards, please furnish information on a separate sheet of paper in respect of your properties in each ward.

III. Please note that the obligation to furnish this information lies upon the OWNER of the premises concerned.

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THE BOMBAY STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

At the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Company held today, the Board decided that in their judgment Dividend at the rate of Rs. 20|- per Ordinary Share, free of income-tax and Rs. 15|- per Preference Share, less Income Tax, for the year ended the 30th June 1944, should be declared at the annual meeting.

By the Order of the Board of Directors,
For the Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.
Agents,
Managing Agents.
Scindia House, Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 15-11-44. (1015)

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
(SUPPLY)

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for posts of Typists in the various Offices under the Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Pay Rs. 50-3-95 with the usual dearness allowance which is Rs. 18/- at present. Typists having speed between 35 and 50 words per minute will be given Rs. 60/- and those having speed of 50 words or more per minute will be given Rs. 70/- as starting pay. Apply in person with testimonials to the Establishment Officer, Finance Department (Supply), Bombay, before the 20th of November in his office in the Secretariat, Ground floor." 999

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

Re: Conversion of 2 Coupons into a Share.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the last date for submission of Coupons for conversion into Shares of the Bank is further extended from 15th November 1944 to 15th December 1944.

Couponholders are requested to submit their Coupon along with another like Coupon for conversion into a share or dispose of their Coupon before the abovementioned date.

H. C. CAPTAIN,
Managing Director.
Bombay, 14th November, 1944. (998)

NOTICE.
THE SCINDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

AT THE MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company held today, the Board decided that in their judgment Dividend at the rate of Re. 1|- per share and Bonus at the rate of Ans. 4|- per share, free of income-tax, for the year ended the 30th June, 1944, should be declared at the annual meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.,
Agents.
"Scindia House", Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 15-11-44. (1013)

PUBLIC NOTICES

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. A. B. Chatterjee, Secretary of the METROPOLITAN INSURANCE CO. LTD., will shortly be on tour here from Head Office. Those interested for the organisation of the Company's business in Bombay city or elsewhere in the Presidency may arrange immediately with the Branch Secretary, Bombay, at 371, Hornby Road, either personally or through letter regarding interviews and arrangements. 1003

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
(CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a plot of Municipal land admeasuring 2.92 acres together with a ground floor bungalow and a water-closet block standing thereon situated near the Kurla Station on Kurla-Mankhud Branch of the G.I.P. Railway within the limits of the Kurla Municipal Borough will be sold by Public Auction in the Office of the undersigned on the 5th December 1944 at 3-0 p. m. (S. T.) Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay. The terms and conditions pertaining to the auction sale can be seen at the Office of the undersigned on any week day during office hours. No person shall be allowed to bid unless he pays a deposit of Rs. 1,000-| at least a day previous to the date of auction.

The Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Bombay, 14th November 1944. (1011)

NOTICE.
THE BOMBAY STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain closed from 1st to 21st December, 1944, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For The Bombay Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.,
For The Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.,
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.,
Agents,
Managing Agents.
Scindia House, Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 15-11-1944. (1014)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MAHADEO DATTATRAYA DEVAL of Mhaisal (Sangli State) Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust exchange, maintenance, use, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Tamarind House, 36 Tamarind Lane Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL THAT piece or parcel of Perpetual Fazandari land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at 1st Akalkote Lane without the Fort in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement one hundred and nine square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 7731 and Cadastral Survey No. 161 Girgaum Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Assessment under D Ward No. 741 and Street No. 3 and bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the East by a passage and beyond that by the property of Harishanker Harischandra, on or towards the West and South by the Akalkote Lane aforesaid and on or towards the North by a passage and open space and beyond that by the property of Rustomji Nusserwanji Daruwalla and Awabai, widow of Nusserwanji Khursetji and Gordhandas Thakersee.

Dated this 10th day of November, 1944.

PATHARE & LILADHAR,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (984)

NOTICE.

With reference to the Notice appearing in the Bombay Chronicle of the 23rd October 1944 and the Sanj Vartaman of the same date under the signature of Messrs. Payne and Co., as attorneys for Lady Currimbhoy Ebrahim to the effect that the purported divorce of their client is invalid and illegal and that she continues to be a legally married wife of our client is not correct and that our client Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Third Baronet has validly and legally divorced his wife Aminabai, daughter of Cassamally Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy as published in the previous notice.

Dated this 14th day of November 1944.

HUSEINI DOCTOR & CO.,
Attorneys for Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Third Baronet. (1009)

B. B. & C. I. RLY.
WANTED.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill temporary posts in Subordinate Clerical and other branches in Traffic Department. Minimum pay Rs. 40|- p. m. (for the duration of war) in the scale Rs. 30-4-50-55 plus dearness allowance admissible under the rules and Ahmedabad Local Allowance, if in Ahmedabad when appointed, as vacancies occur.

Domiciled Europeans and Anglo-Indians will get Rs. 55|- p. m. as minimum plus dearness allowance etc. Candidates should be passed Matric, Junior Cambridge or its equivalent and must not be less than 18 years or more than 21 years of age on 29-11-1944.

Candidates will have to fill in an application on the prescribed form, on payment of rupee one at the time of Examination but this will be no guarantee for an appointment and in no circumstances will this fee be refunded.

Candidates should apply to the District Traffic Superintendent of the District on which they wish to serve, viz. BULSAR, AHMEDABAD, RATLAM or KOTAH. They will have to appear for an examination at BULSAR on the 29th and 30th November 1944.

Candidates selected by the Selection Board will have to join as unpaid probationers to receive training. (1002)

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